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SUBJECT: SECOND EAST-WEST TRADE UNION CONFERENCE

1. EUROPEAN WORKERS GROUP OF ILO GOVERNING BODY MAILED QUESTIONNAIRE TO ALL PARTICIPANTS OF JAN. 19 EAST-WEST TRADE UNION CONFERENCE COVERING FOLLOWING POINTS REGARDING NEXT CONFERENCE:

1. SHOULD NEXT MEETING TAKE PLACE IN ILO FRAMEWORK?
(DIRECTOR GENERAL HAS INDICATED THAT IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE FOR ILO TO PROVIDE SPACE, INTERPRETER AND BACKGROUND MATERIAL ASSISTANCE IF CONFERENCE TOOK PLACE IN GENEVA.)
2. WHERE SHOULD CONFERENCE TAKE PLACE? GENEVA, HELSINKI, VIENNA, ELSEWHERE.
3. WHAT DATE WOULD BE MOST SUITABLE? NOVEMBER OR DECEMBER 1974; JANUARY OR FEBRUARY 1975.
4. HOW LONG SHOULD MEETING LAST? ONE OR TWO DAYS OR LONGER.

2. CIRCULAR LETTER SIGNED BY ALBERT HEYER AS SECRETARY OF EUROPEAN WORKERS GROUP ALSO ASKED WHETHER PARTICIPATING UNIONS WISH TO DISCUSS AGENDA ITEMS WITH RESPECTIVE NATIONAL AFFILIATES AND WHETHER PARTICIPANTS WANT TO SUBMIT FOLLOW-UP PROPOSALS TO THE CONFERENCE. FURTHERMORE, ADDRESSEES WERE ASKED IF THEY WOULD BE PREPARED TO SHARE CONFERENCE EXPENSES IF ILO CANNOT FULLY COVER RELATED COSTS.

3. IN DISCUSSION WITH EUR SPECIAL ASSISTANT FOR LABOR AFFAIRS AND LABATT, AUSTRIAN ATUF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS SECRETARY STROER TOLD US THAT AUSTRIAN REPLY TO QUESTIONNAIRE STATED THAT ATUF INSISTED UPON ILO UMBRELLA FOR CONFERENCE, PREFERRED GENEVA AS SITE AND EITHER NOVEMBER 1974 OR FEBRUARY 1975 FOR CONFERENCE DATE WITH MAXIMUM DURATION OF TWO DAYS AND EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO SHARE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CONFERENCE COSTS IF NECESSARY.

4. TOPICS FOR FOLLOW-UP CONFERENCE ARE THOSE CONTAINED IN COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AFTER JANUARY 19 MEETING, NAMELY HUMANIZATION OF INDUSTRIAL ENVIRONMENT WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE AT THE WORK-PLACE (SEE GENEVA 341).HUMES

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